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Response to Non-Compliant Amendment

Dear Ms. Kent:

This responds to the Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment mailed on March 30, 2004.

Claims 1-38 were canceled by Preliminary Amendment when this application was filed on July

9, 1998. A complete listing of the claims (with a notation regarding claims 1-38) follows:

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